

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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MEETING WAS A GOOD ONE

HENNING, Tenn.—Just closed a ten days revival at Johnson Grove, Tenn. I want to say that the meeting was a good one. There were six saved and several revived. We were glad to have Sister Ollie Arnold of Memphis, Tenn. with us. She was in charge and did most of the preaching. The Word of God was given out in its fullness. The folks were stirred, this being a new field. We hope to have a church there some time in the future.

We learned to love all of the good folks there. May God bless them in every way. They were nice to us. A. L. Griffin, Dist. Overseer, route 2.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR CHARLOTTE

On August 28th we started another battle against the devil here in Charlotte. It lasted thru September 11th. God wonderfully blessed in every way. It was our privilege to have our State Overseer, Brother Roy E. Blackwood with us again. He did some real good preaching which was enjoyed by all. We enjoyed having him and his good wife with us in our home and hope to have them again some time. May the Lord bless them in their work.

There were sixteen saved, ten sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost, fourteen baptized in water and ten added to the Church. On Sunday morning Sept. 11th, we dedicated our church to the Lord. There was a large crowd and Brother Blackwood preached the dedication sermon. We also enjoyed having Brother W. E. Rainey, State Overseer of South Carolina and a number of his workers with us on that day. Pray for us at Charlotte.—Mrs. I. G. Roberts, 613 E. 15th St., Charlotte, N. C.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME TODAY AS YESTERDAY

CAMDEN, Tenn.—Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever, and I have found every one of His promises true when I meet the conditions of His plan with faith. He has healed me many times, though my faith needs to be strengthened.

I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. I am so glad that I am in the straight and narrow way that leads from earth to glory. Glad to say that I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I am trusting Him for both soul and body because I find in the holy Word where Jesus healed the sick and in Hebrew 13:8, that Jesus is the same today as He was yesterday.

Please remember me in your prayers that my boy's may be strengthened.—Your humble brother, C. W. Crosno.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR GOD

Brethren scattered abroad, greetings in Jesus' name. We are coming to the close of another church year. Truly I can say this has been one of the best years of my life for God and His church. Many blessings and favors from the Lord have been ours. Sometime about the first of the year, the power of God began to fall in a most wonderful way. Many precious souls have prayed thru in old salvation style. Some twenty or more have prayed thru to the baptism of the Holy Ghost; fourteen additions to the church here at Mobeetie.

We have set a new church in order at Shamrock, Texas with seven members. We now have twelve; have baptized twenty-six in water. Other favors and blessings are too numerous to mention. Meet me at the General Assembly.—Yours for Jesus and His Church, T. M. Clendon, Mobeetie, Tex.

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WORKERS NEEDED IN THE WEST

I wonder if God never speaks to the heart of some true and honest evangelist to come west. My soul indeed is hungry for a Church of God meeting somewhere in this part of California and I am more than hungry to get out in the work, but I do not feel I can be of much use to our Lord by working alone. I pray God to send some one full of power and fire to start up this work.

This summer I was in San Jose and Santa Clara. The latter place is a Catholic town with not even a full Gospel mission. One day while praying, God (surely it was God) gave me a vision of a church in Santa Clara and over the door was "The Church of God." It was so plain that I hunted all over Santa Clara for the church. All I could find was the Church of Christ which was identically the same both inside and out, and this church is in use only once a month. Somehow I felt that God wants a church in this place, bearing His name.

I will be indeed happy to go and do all I can if God lays it on someone's heart to come this way. I am on the altar for whatever God calls and while busy with Pentecostal workers, that does not seem to satisfy my longing for the dear Church of God, however, I want to be busy and this is next best.—Edna I. Stevens, 527 N. Fourth St., Fresno, Calif.

GOD'S CHILDREN DANCE FOR HIM

Brother Jesse Rogers, Brother Earl Paulk and wife, and I began a revival at a large dance hall near Clayton, Ga. the third Saturday night in Aug. which continued two weeks. This is one of the best places to hold a meeting I have ever seen. The building is supposed to seat about 3,000 people.

We had large crowds and didn't fail to declare all the counsel of God. During the meeting there were five saved, three sanctified, three received the Holy Ghost and one came into the church. At the close of the meeting we observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet.

Many times before this meeting, great crowds had gathered at this place to dance for the devil, but we had a chance to see God's children dance for Him there. Praise the Lord. We are praying that God will help us to buy this building for our camp meeting. It is situated two miles from Clayton, right in the mountains of North Georgia.

After we closed this meeting, we went to Mountain City, Ga. and began a meeting. The Lord wonderfully blessed us there. As we began to give out the Word, conviction began to get hold of the people and there were eight saved, five sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost, five came into the church and six baptized in water. On Sunday night we observed the Lord's Supper and had feet washing. My next meeting will be at Lavonia, Ga.—Yours in the battle, Myrtle Whitehead, Hartwell, Ga.

Whole Country Stirred

ABERSANT, Ala.—We have just closed a weeks meeting at this place. Brother and Sister Watson were in charge. The meeting was a success; it was the best that has been here in several years and we give all the praise to our Lord. He was with us from the beginning to the end. The Word has stirred the whole country far and near. Many are looking this way who never were interested before. Good crowds attended.

Three were reclaimed, two saved and sanctified, one sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, one saved and one came into the Church and was baptized in water. The last night of the meeting, we took the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. It seemed that everyone enjoyed it. Please pray for us at this place.—Annie Cagle, Sec. and Treas.

ISRAEL'S RETURN A LAST DAY SIGN

To Palestine They Are Going By The Thousands

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

"After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David which is fallen down."

Shall Israel who has been scattered among the nations return to their own land and enjoy the blessings as the nation as in former days? We will give a few Scriptures that declare in the affirmative.

If any of thine be driven out unto the utmost parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee. And the Lord thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.—Deut. 30:4-5.

Other parts of this chapter show how that the children of Israel were scattered within the nations of the world. The two verses quoted tell us that they shall be gathered and brought back to possess the very land that their forefathers possessed. God will be no more against them but will do them good and they shall multiply during the Millennium above what their fathers did.

Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as before time.—2 Sam. 7:10.

Palestine, the country which has been overrun by the Gentiles for many centuries is the country appointed or set aside by the Lord for the Jews. It belongs to them. It is their own and they must possess it. When they get full possession they shall not be afflicted by other nations. They have suffered terribly at the hands of wicked nations, especially the Russian nation.

The wicked nations that have so severely persecuted God's chosen people are those referred to in Matthew 25 as the goat nations. Those who have shown favors to the children of Israel are those referred to as the sheep nations.

Men shall buy fields for money *** I will cause their captivity to return, saith the Lord. They have never returned as a nation since going into captivity, but according to this Scripture they shall return, not to, by force, take the land away from the Gentiles, but they shall buy their fields. While the territory by right belongs to the Jews they are to get possession honorably, paying a good price for their farms.

In that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it in the days of old.

"That day" has reference to the day of the Lord. At this time the temple shall be built, and the Lord shall reign on the throne of David.

James referred to the above Scripture in their General Assembly when He referred to Simeon saying that at first God visited the Gentiles to take out of them a people for his name.

Special Notice

The following instructions will be of help to those coming to the Assembly by rail.

Tickets will be sold from the 21st to the 27th day of this month, but remember that certificates stamped after that date will not be good for reduced rates, therefore you must not buy your ticket later than the 27th.

The last honoring date is the 2nd day of November. In other words your certificate will be good for reduced rates until that date.

In case your station agent should not have the regular certificates, ask him to give you a receipt with your ticket giving the amount paid for your fare to Cleveland, Tenn. and tell him that you are going to the General Assembly of the Church of God which will be held on Oct. 25th-30th at that place.

You should be at the station in plenty of time to buy your ticket and get your certificates as it requires more time than to buy an ordinary ticket.

When you get here the General Secretary will receive your certificates, sign them, and hold same until he gets the required number which is 250. This includes half fares too.

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

REVIVAL — CARSON SPRINGS, TENN.

We have just closed a two weeks meeting at Carson Springs, Tenn. About seventeen were saved, nine sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, six came into the church and seven were baptized in water. The Lord surely did bless from the very beginning of the meeting. Brother George E. Bailey is the pastor and all of the folks seem to love him. He was with us in the meeting and worked hard in the altar and congregation.

This little church is located near the foot of the great Smoky Mountains; it is a wonderful place for mountain scenery. The people are very friendly and gladly take you into their mountain homes and believe me, they can surely feed you. I certainly did enjoy my stay with them altho, I was not well very much of the time. I see no reason why this little church should not grow and in the very near future, be numbered among the strongest churches of the state of Tennessee.

M. W. Letsinger

25 Receive Holy Ghost In One Week—10 in One Night

The Lord is to bring bone to bone as represented by the placing of the two sticks together. Judah and Israel shall be reunited and shall be referred to as the whole house of Israel. See verse 11.

I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them to their own land, and I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all. Verses 21-22.

My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea I shall be their God, and they shall be my people. Verse 27.

The days come, saith the Lord, that they will no more say, the Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but the Lord liveth which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I have driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.—Jer. 23:7.

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Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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EDITORIALS

BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

BY CORRESPONDENCE

To those who for any reason may be unable to attend the local training school in this city, we have concluded to offer you the full Bible training course by correspondence at the special cash rate of \$20.00. This special price does not apply on the monthly payment plan, but for the small sum in cash of \$20.00, for which you will receive a receipt in full for the entire course. This is your opportunity.

ORPHANAGE

It is needless for me to further emphasize the importance of this noble work, for all true sympathetic hearts will agree that God is well pleased

in our gathering in the precious little tots who are fatherless, motherless and homeless and giving them Christian training, education, clothing, food and shelter and raising them up for Christ and the Church. I deem it further unnecessary to tell you that there is a tremendous expense attached to the maintenance of this institution, for ye yourselves know full well, but permit me to stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance, that we must rally to the support of this work in order to perpetuate it and to enlarge its borders. Many new arrangements and needed improvements are necessary. Some have suggested that we need a farm near town for the boys in order that they might aid in the support of the institution. This is very plausible. To say the least of it, this is a work that all of our members and friends could show an equal interest in.

COMING TO THE ASSEMBLY

All who are planning to attend the 22nd Annual Assembly would do well to cooperate with others by making use of the special reduced rate on the certificate plan. I insist on this because there are so many of our ministers who come on their clergy certificate, leaving only those to come on the certificate plan who do not have the clergy rates, that it reduces the number of certificates too close, as a certain number is required in order to obtain the special rate. Now if one and all will make use of this special rate on the certificate plan who come by rail, we will be sure to have a sufficient number. Please do your friends this favor, and the Assembly in general.

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

The Evangel is the official organ of the Church of God. It is the representative of all the interests and departments of the church work. Its columns are intended to express the Bible teaching of regeneration, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, divine healing and the soon coming of the Lord, together with any other kindred themes along with the Bible plan of government and discipline.

The paper advances into many open doors that even our ministers cannot enter. It carries its messages, reports and testimonies into thousands of homes and offers cheering words to many who are despondent and to those who are under the thick shadows of bereavement, trouble and oppression. The Church cannot afford to be without it; the thousands of our readers say they cannot afford to be without it, then if it is an essential agency to those who are acquainted with it, then why not every reader put forth a special effort to get it into other homes and thereby cause

it to become a blessing to thousands of others in this broad land?

Dear readers you will note the special rate that is given for the month of October, of one dollar per year. This means either new or renewal. You will remember that the regular price is one dollar and a half. Now your subscription does not have to expire in order for you to have the benefit of this special rate, but just send in the one dollar and we will extend your subscription for one year from the date of its expiration. That is to say, if your subscription expires December 1, 1927, we will extend it to December 1, 1928, etc. as the case may be.

BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

The local Bible Training School will begin Oct. 31st under the management of T. S. Payne, superintendent and J. H. Walker, his assistant.

Many have expressed their desire to attend this session and if you have not already, you will do well to address the superintendent at once.

The writer is informed that the prospects are fine for a good school. All of our prospective ministers and workers together with many who are now engaged in ministerial work, would do well to take special training for that line of service that you feel that God has called you to. The best and greatest soldiers whose names have been immortalized, national honors heaped on them, spent months and even years in training. If you decide to be a good soldier of Jesus Christ, you will also do well to take special training for this great work. Those who are interested would do well to take this matter before the Lord, ask Him what He would have you do. All those who are interested may address T. S. Payne, Superintendent, Cleveland, Tenn.

SONG BOOKS

We have a good supply of our new song book, Triumphant Songs. This is our latest book and is highly appreciated by those who have become familiar with this choice selection. We have a very limited supply of the book, Glory Way. We also have in stock a special song book for the children, Juvenile Song.

We can fill your order on short notice for any of the above. Our supply is entirely exhausted of the following books: Gospel Waves, Full Salvation and Church of God Songs No. 4. Please advise your church and Sunday School of this statement.

The preacher who uses the sacred stand for breast works to fire at his enemy is never numbered with the world's heroes.

The man who preaches his own personal experience as the standard for others is not a safe advisor; the Bible is our standard.

The man who frequently insists upon his own honesty and integrity must consider it questionable; what do others say?

It is believed that Al Smith is doing everything in his power to get to be president, yet he has made no announcement; smaller chaps seem to be trying to follow his plan.

We are frequently exhorted in the Sacred Book to WATCH. Our people cannot afford to give any aid or comfort in the election of a Catholic president. Surely we are living in the last days. The signs of the times indicate that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

The man who by carnal imaginations and slanderous insinuations, murders the reputation and influence of an humble saint of God will be branded as a murderer at the white throne judgment.

UNION, Miss.—We want to announce thru the Evangel that our meeting was a wonderful success. Everyone enjoyed the Church of God doctrine and they are anxious for more preaching. These people have had the best preachers in here, such as Bradley, B. Carradine, D. D. Sutrun and a host of others came thru here forty years ago. They know what sanctification is but some terrible delusion was given out and it has been hard to get them to see just what the Church of God is.

We are going to establish a tabernacle on our place, so any ministers who have the anointing and come this way, we welcome them and are prepared to care for them as the Lord leads. We don't want hirelings to come here who will destroy the flock. These are truly perilous times, a covetous age; men are lovers of themselves, making merchandise of the flock whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not and their damnation slumbereth not. Lord do help; people are wanting to get saved and the devil is right in the altar.—Sarah Wedgeworth, R. 6, box 36.

I request prayer of the saints as I have a bad case of diabetes and rheumatism. Pray that God will heal me. I have been saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost for over thirteen years. I have taken the Lord for my healer ever since. One of my ears is also effected. Pray that God will heal and open it up for me.—Mrs. Mellie Shuttle, Eldorado, Ill.

NOTICES

This is to certify that J. C. York, former pastor of the Church of God at Hamilton, Ohio is no longer a minister, or a member of the Church of God.—E. Haynes, Overseer.

To whom it may concern: We have a Church of God at Phoenix. There are just a few of us and we need all the help we can get. If any of the saints come thru here, we would be glad if you would look for us. We have services at Brother Collins' house, corner E. Madison and 20th St.—Isabelle Rickman, 2130 W. Monroe St., Phoenix, Arizona, Phone 9365.

We would like for some minister to come to Charleston, W. Va., to preach for us. We believe in living without sin, because the wages of sin is death, and the gift of God is eternal life. If anyone who is interested sees this, we would appreciate you coming our way.—W. H. Mears, Route 7, box 197 Charleston, W. Va.

The Church of God at Marks Miss. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Leila Castleberry, Talmage Oliver and James Cagle.—Eva Taylor, clerk.

This is to certify that Oda Smith and Bertha Driffs are no longer members of the Church of God.—Clerk, Pittsburgh, III.

OUR TRIP HOME

We had been exiles for twenty years, but a few days ago, like the prodigal son, we arose and went. We received a hearty welcome with kindred and friends. We went on a vacation for rest, but when we arrived, people wanted to hear us preach. We preached at a mission on Friday night to a large crowd and had a good service. From there the news was spread that we were back home once more. On Sunday morning following, the pastor of the Union Holiness Church, Brother R. B. Jarrell, sent us an invitation to preach at his church Sunday night. It was announced at the eleven o'clock service and when we got there about 7:30 I believe we could safely say, there were near 1,000 people waiting and God was surely there in His most wonderful power. People knelt all over the building for prayer and judgment alone, to my sincere belief, will tell the good that was done. We don't know how many were blessed, but we know that hundreds of people were happy and we could not behave otherwise.

We preached four nights and had to start home. We asked if anyone there would like to belong to a church like we had been preaching about. We read the rules of the Church of God and fifty blood-washed soldiers locked heart and hand to live and die in the Church of God, so we set a church in order with fifty members and I want to add that they are as fine a crowd of folks as I have ever met. We left the church in perfect working order with Brother R. B. Jarrell, pastor, who has pastored the same congregation for about six years. There were also two other ministers, a cleric, deacon board, trustees, a good musician and a choir that can sing the old time power down. I am proud of the Church of God in Washington, N. C., a large city where we have never been able to establish the Church before.

We are now in a nice mission at 704 Worcester St., but have \$200.00 in the treasure to start a church building of their own. Any good Church of God preacher will be appreciated to drop by and be with them in service. They will meet some good people.—One out for lost souls, I. G. Roberts, pastor, Charlotte, N. C.

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VANNDALE, Ark.—We want to report victory at Vanndale. A meeting began here Aug. 16th and continued until September 9th with Brother Emmett Taylor in charge. We also had Brother Morgan from Alabama, Brother Claude Chambers and Brother Johnson with us. They preached the Word in its fullness.

There were seven saved and seven received the Holy Ghost. Four followed the Lord in water baptism and ten were added to the church. The saints were revived and are planning on building a new church house in the near future.—Dottie Cook, clerk.

GLAD FOR VICTORY

KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—I thank God for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. I ask the saints everywhere to pray for my wife to receive the baptism. I truly thank God for victory and for license to preach which I recently received. Pray for me that I will do God's will.—W. B. Richards.

Be Thou Perfect!

Seeing that we have been walking with God for so long and realizing the principles of the doctrine of Christ, it behooves us to search the Scriptures and find out what is the length and the breadth of the far-reaching power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is very evident that the Gospel is giving light to men as they walk in the Spirit and in the light that is shining unto them. The path of the just is as the shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

PERFECT DAY

Noah was a perfect man in his generation and by faith obeyed the voice of God and built the ark of deliverance, preaching righteousness to the people. He was perfect in the sight of God because he followed the directions of His Word. Abraham shrank not at the Word of God and was perfect as he walked before Him who had commanded, "Walk before me and be thou perfect." Job was perfect and upright and the devil knew that God had hedged him in.

Someone has said that this was all under the Law of Moses and men could read the rites and ceremonies and do them, for in those days the world did not have the attractions and fashions, but we are glad for the law, for it was the type of the perfect law of liberty, which, if a man will look into and stand fast in the liberty it gives, he can take up his cross daily and be free from the pride and fashions of this world. His yoke is easy and his burden light, and we are commanded to be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. We know these men lived in Old Testament times, so let us look forward from that time and take admonition from Him that came to redeem us from the law of sin and death, blotting out the handwriting of ordinances which was against us who suffered and gave his life a ransom for us and plainly said, "Be ye therefore perfect even as your father which is in heaven is perfect."

Follow after charity and desire spiritual gifts. WE earnestly believe that charity will take away all pride and selfishness and make anyone willing to obey and suffer for the name of Christ and as the only Son of God was made perfect through suffering, so every one that follows after charity, after they have suffered, will be settled, strengthened and established and be made perfect. Many people are wondering why the gifts are not fully restored to the Church, but many of these people are not contending for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints. They seem to expect God to take them down and make them take a spiritual gift. If we will study to shew ourselves approved unto God instead of compromising with the world; if we follow after charity with all our hearts, we can soon be in a position to receive a perfect gift from God.

I am sure that we must lay aside all pride and foolish talking which are evil. Mark 7:22-23, and pray without ceasing, earnestly desiring for these gifts of the Spirit. We must ever be praising the Lord and thanking Him and if we do this we will not have time to jest, joke and follow foolishness and worldliness. WE can then have free access to the throne of grace and the signs will follow us in such a way that we will convince the world and the so-called churches that we are the Church of God.

Let us watch, pray and endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, until we all come to the unity of the faith, unto perfect man.

A. C. Smith.

HATED TO SEE MEETING CLOSE

SILVER POINT, Tenn.—I praise the Lord this morning for His wonderful love and power. I am still saved, sanctified and have the Holy Ghost.

We had a good meeting here. Our pastor, E. H. Prince held the meeting. There were nineteen joined the church and fourteen baptized in water. Seven received the Holy Ghost and two sanctified. We had a wonderful time in the Lord and hated to see the meeting close. Good crowds attended. Pray for us.—Mrs. Ida McDani, Route 2.

Expecting Great Things From the Lord

CLYDE, N. C.—Dear Evangel family, greetings: Brother James Snyder of Gastonia, N. C. and some workers were with us about a month ago and held us a weeks revival. We were glad to have them. It did us good to be soul fed on the Word. Thank the Lord.

There were three saved, several seekers were in the altar the last night and it seemed that the meeting had just begun. Duty called Brother Snyder home. I pray that God will send some one here to preach for us and hold us a good revival. We are expecting great things from the Lord another year. Remember us in your prayers.—Mrs. E. C. Bradburn.

Devil is Always Near

WIMAUMA, Fla.—As we try to picture in our mind the beauties of Eden, the glorious privilege that God gave our fore-parents, just basking in the sunlight of His presence, truly their soul could delight itself in fatness with no overshadowing clouds of trouble or pain to mar their happiness. When Satan began his deadly work, look at the contrast before and after from that day, suffering, pain and death has followed. Satan carrying on his work of deception and if it were possible he would deceive the very elect. What sorrow and anguish he causes though mercy he never shows, but what a boon to sufferers that are bound in sin and affliction is the prophecy of Isaiah telling of a deliverer who would bind up the broken hearted, proclaiming liberty to the captives, opening of the prison to those who are bound to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. Then when the angel brought to those shepherds good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior: What tidings are more acceptable to us than a Savior for soul and body who forgiveth all our iniquities, who healeth all our diseases. Good tidings to all people included us.

When Christ began His ministry on earth He not only forgave people of their sins but fulfilled the prophecy in Isaiah which said, "Himself took our infirmities and bore our sickness." Also in Acts 10:38 Peter spoke of how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil. When Christ sent out the seventy He told them to heal the sick and gave them power to tread on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy.

While some would have us believe that power to heal and tread on serpents is not for us today, read in Heb. 13:8 which tells us that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. He continues His work of saving and healing people today through human instrumentality, and we praise Him for His Word.

I have put the Lord to a test, though before we put our trust in Him we did like the woman spoken of in the Word who spent all her living on the physicians and was not healed. We were afflicted for years being in bed for months at times, willing to use any remedies the doctors would prescribe. Have gone down into the very shadows of death, helpless as a babe, the wasting disease having so weakened the brittle thread of life, but how we praise the Lord that He included healing. Some of the doctors admitted they could do nothing more than give temporary relief when I was on my bed of afflictions. It seemed that the future was dark holding nothing but suffering for me, but man's extremity is God's opportunity. I felt I had leaned on the arm of flesh long enough and the day that I took God at His Word, stepping out on His promises, pressing my way through the throng of doubts, fears and unbelief and received a healing touch from Him which has made life sweeter these last ten years since I have put my trust in Him.

The greatest physician now is near, The sympathizing Jesus; He speaks the drooping heart to cheer Ah, praise the name of Jesus.

I write this to honor and magnify the name of the Lord. Let's earnestly contend for faith as I am sure we all need it.—Mrs. Mary F. Wadsworth.

Glad of Salvation

WINSTON, Ga.—I want to praise the dear Lord through the columns of the Evangel that we can live above sin. Praise God. Some people here said, there was one thing they couldn't understand and that was how the Church of God people claimed to live without sin. I told them it one was born of God he or she would live without sin. Jesus did not sin, so why should we sin?

One year ago the dear Lord saved me from sin and I

There Will Be No Evangel Next Week

On Account of the Twenty-Second Annual Assembly of the Churches of God being in Session.

MOTHERS TAKE WARNING

ASHVILLE, N. C.—I have asked this to be published that it may be used to the glory of the blessed Lord, in helping some other soul who may be deceived as I once was. I heard an old lady remark a few days ago, that truth is stranger than fiction. Oh how true!

Some years ago I had a home, a hard working, though unsaved husband and a little son. The boy was not at all like his father: so timid, so gentle. He did not seem like a boy but more like a gentle little girl. Often when he did things he should not, he would come and with tears in his blue eyes, say, "Mother, I'm so sorry," and I could never punish him, though the same thing was often repeated. Thinking I was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, I felt so secure.

We had a neighbor who was always kind and in so many ways helped me out, but she did not have the baptism although she did not openly oppose it. Often I had fainting spells. She would come, rub and bathe me night or day. I never heard her say one thing which I found as not true. Often when my husband opposed me she was kind and would come and talk with us. On one occasion we were just about to separate and I laid it all on my husband. I excused myself for the hard words I used as if his abuse and my nervous condition were the causes. She talked so kindly to me that we went to our home together. She had three children, one boy a few years older than my boy, Val, an older daughter and a baby girl. How those dear children all loved me!

The Bible says, "Whoso keepeth his mouth, and his tongue keepeth his soul from trouble." With shame I write the following: I never could, it seemed, keep Val on my own lot, but often he was with a bunch of boys who smoked, chewed and swore. Mrs. Winton's children played at home. When Bert was sent on an errand, he delayed no time. Then one day Mrs. Winton came in weary and tired. I can see that pale face now. She had not been well for some days. She sat silent as if meditating, then said, "I heard something I feel like you should know, as it concerns all of us, but unless you can receive it without getting all worried, I had rather not tell you." I insisted that I would not. She told me that a neighbor and another neighbor's boy told her that Val had been talking very unbecomingly. I did not realize that it was no friend who would keep things like that concealed. I talked to that boy and he denied it right before her, cleared my boy and said her boy lied, swore, etc. How my heart rejoiced. I told folks she jumped on me about it and told a sister-in-law about it and talked about that woman and her family right in the presence of my boy.

I often thought if I didn't have an unsaved husband I could just go and go and tell of this wonderful baptism. But he's gone now. Died in his sins. My boy got into trouble, played cards, drank and stole. Did I know it? Oh shame on me! Blinded with a false idea of mother love, I left him too much to his own way; took his word in preference of Christian people's until he was brought into court. The judge found him guilty of helping one of his childhood playmates steal an expensive car. Was it Bert's No, oh no.

For a while after Val was sent away I was almost insane. One moment I hated the people who had sent my boy away, the next thing I would be praying for victory. Then in a little village in an eastern state, I was convicted of sin. The baptism, I was stressing, I could not longer hide under. I sought pardon and peace. Blessed be the Lord. He never disappoints. Then that precious baptism set my soul afire and I could see, see, see. My blinded eyes saw light. I visited the prison. My boy looked at me coolly and said, "Mother, I hope you mean it, but I'll never believe you till you find Bert Winton and tell him how you talked about his poor mother and him. Oh how the words stabb'd!" "Val," I cried, "how can you talk so? It was all caused by her jumping on me about you." Right there the dear Lord stopped me. "Val," I said, "was it so?" "You are late trying to find out," coolly replied my boy. "Every one of you except dad professed to be Christians and every one of you shielded and screened me. It was so easy to deceive you. Many times I lay awake thinking," and my boy hung his head. "Go on," I tried to say, "Well mother, it is Bert's mother I can see, sad and pale. It is the stories with morals she told me. I remember. I've a letter from Bert's mother. She's dead, been dead two months. Strange but Bert doesn't know you got mad at them. He said he knew you and his mother

GOD LEAD ME THIS WAY

MORGANTOWN, Miss.—To the saints scattered abroad, greetings in Jesus' name. I want to praise my Lord for the way He blessed me a little over nine years ago. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues as the spirit gives evidence, and dear ones He is still a welcome guest in my life. I am a member of the Church of God. I am the only one in our family who is trying to live for the Lord and it is three miles to the nearest church of God saint's house. Truly I love the teachings of the Church and I am trying with God's help to be a loyal member too. I am glad I ever found this straight and narrow way which leads from earth to glory.

When I was a child the Lord knocked at my heart in a Methodist meeting and I united with the Methodist Church, and after I grew up and could read my Bible and saw that the Lord was baptized under the water, so I walked on in the light and united with the Baptist Church and was baptized. But later Brother Leon Thornhill came this way preaching the full Gospel, I turned a deaf ear and said, I did not want to accept the truth, though finally I accepted the truth and have never been sorry the least bit. The Lord is all I need; He has been so good to me. I am glad to trust Him for the healing of my body and five children who are under my control. I really feel that the Lord is calling His children to a closer walk with Him. I feel that we should pray and look up as never before.

It grieves my heart to see so many going on unconcerned about their soul salvation realizing that the time is short. I know we all want to be ready to go up when the Lord comes or calls for His children. Any one who seeks the Lord with their whole heart may find Him.

Please remember me in your prayers that I may be able to endure until the end and be ready to go up when the Lord comes for His bride. Please remember my husband and children that they may be saved before it is too late.—Mrs. Florence Carney.

VICTORY IS OURS

SIMPSONVILLE, S. C.—On the 30th day of July Brother Turner Hall pitched his old gospel tent here in Simpsonville and opened fire on the devil. Brother Hall held the fort alone the first week doing all in his power but it was a hard battle, as there had been a lively little church, but had been cruelly treated, therefore it had died. The writer and wife were sent to their rescue by the State Overseer W. E. Raney. On our arrival we went to the tent and saw how nicely brother Hall had things arranged, electric lights, good piano, nothing to do but sing, pray, shout and hollow "scat devil" under that big old tent as it was 40 x 70. So I want to tell you we sang, prayed and the devil surely did scatter.

The writer began preaching on his arrival and continued to do most all the preaching. After our revival started the Lord began to bless, people came and looked on with amazement. They began to become almost spellbound. The altar was full most of the time; we had to enlarge our altar, then ten days later we had to enlarge it again. Souls began to go through to victory, and as usual the devil was mad and tried to do away with the meeting, but we defeated the old serpent and went on our journey.

Just as we were giving the altar call one night the electric wires were cut and the altar was full of seekers. As the lights were out they tried to rotten egg the preacher, but they missed us. We soon repaired the lights and the Lord surely did bless. The meeting continued for four weeks. We reorganized the work with eleven active members. Some were blessed who did not come into the church. There were nineteen saved, thirteen sanctified and ten received the Holy Ghost.

We observed the Lord's supper and feet washing. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. The church here gained almost the entire favor of the town. Please pray for the work here.—Your humble brother in Christ, G. B. Langford and wife.

were such friends and he wanted me to write you."

Reader, take warning. I surely and truly enjoy my salvation, but oh the regret that I did not keep my mouth.—Anna Wallace.

NOTE.—Parents love your children, but love them wisely. Don't shield them in sin, for it will mean sorrow for both you and them.

On The Hallelujah Side

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—When Jesus returns for His own and carries us up to His throne, there will be no more sadness but will all be gladness. Well, glory I am on the hallelujah side. Rev. 19:1, in the glory land way which is the victory side. I am praising Him for ever saving me by grace, read Eph. 1:12. He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire, read Matthew 3:11. He heals me by His power, Luke 5:17, and added me to the Church, Acts 20:28.

I am looking and making ready for His coming Rev. 22nd chapter. I am on my way to heaven shouting glory. The Lord has been our healer ever since 1920. Before I came into this way I lost three children, mother, brother and sister, and the doctors gave me up to die, but I looked up to heaven and prayed. I applied the Evangel on my body and was healed. Pray for me. H. W. Billingsley.

Completely Healed

EUPORA, Miss.—I am praising God this morning for being healed. I have been sanctified five years and in the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. I thought I had the Holy Ghost, but last March Sister Mary Ash came here and ran a meeting and I found out that I did not have the baptism. Praise God I went to work seeking the Holy Ghost. One night during the meeting two of the sisters were testifying and how the Lord was working with me and before they could get through I leaped from my seat and fell under the power of God and was filled with the Holy Ghost. I came right on into the church was baptized in water.

I want to praise God this morning for the anointed handkerchief I received from the prayer room at the Publishing House, the misery left my body and the next morning after I was healed I got up and cooked breakfast.

I desire the prayers of the saints that I may stay humble and meek before the Lord.—Nettie Daniels, R. 4, box 83.

I WILL TRUST HIM TO THE END

FT. MEADE, Fla.—My heart is so full of joy as I write this testimony to the Evangel. The Evangel is food to my soul. We could not get along without it as its teachings are the Word of God and we know it is the truth, and the truth is what we want. It makes us free if we will only obey, it is just a road from earth to heaven. The dear Lord says, the way is plain and straight that a wayfaring man nor fool can err therein.

I truly praise God for His keeping power which keeps me from all sin and gives me joy unspeakable and full of glory. Praise His dear name. My determination is to do all that I can for Him that I may be able to stand the fiery darts of the enemy. We should fast, watch and pray, lest we enter into temptation. God is so merciful and true to His children, blesses us beyond our expectation even more than we can think or ask.

Oh dear saints let us keep pressing onward and upward until we gain the prize that is awaiting His faithful children. He wants us to stand firm and true and do all we can that we may be able to repay Him for all of His great blessings to us. We know the Lord says, to live by every word that proceedeth out of His mouth, and we should be real careful or we will fall on some points. He says, study the Word that we may know His will concerning us here. Let us live every day as if it were the last day.

We should be careful about our tithes and pay one tenth of our income. It is for the support of His Gospel to save precious souls in this awful lost and dying world. We want every one possible to be ready to meet their God. We should have the burden of the lost more on our hearts. It is a terrible thing to think of some precious soul going to hell.

I truly thank God for His healing power. It is wonderful just what the Lord can do for us. I was an invalid and when I heard the Word preached on healing by the power of God, I believed and rejoiced because I had found a Savior who could heal all manner of diseases. Praise His dear name. I threw all of my medicine away and began to put my trust in Him. He is a prayer answering God if we will only trust Him. I was using tobacco too, but quit using it. I bid it all adieu. I promised the Lord I would never use it again live or die and I mean what I said too. I promised Him if He would heal my body I would serve Him and have Him for my physician as long as I lived. He made me every whit whole, and I went to my work and felt like a young person. I'll tell you it was a

GOD IS BLESSING

SMITHFIELD, N. C.—Dear Evangel family scattered abroad, I want to thank the Lord for victory in my soul right now. He healed me when the doctor failed, also healed my four children of measles and many other diseases at different times for which we give Him the praise and all the glory. I am saved and the Holy Ghost abides. I have a deep determination to go all the way with Him. I have been added to the Church of God which I love so much. The gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Jesus shed His blood that we might be sanctified.

Some of these days the Lord is coming after His bride and let us be ready when He comes or calls for us. I mean by the help of the Lord to stay in the church regardless of how the storms rage.

Please remember my baby in your prayers for the healing of its body, also remember me when you pray.—Mrs. Minnie Bosswell.

Pray That Many Be Saved

BANKSTON, Ala.—We have just closed a few days meeting at this place, the Lord surely did bless from the beginning. We had services both day and night. The people were a kind of mixed multitude. One Baptist preached. One was baptized in water and two added to the Church of God. Brother H. M. Taylor from Kenedy, Ala. was with us. He surely did some wonderful preaching. We enjoyed him being with us and want him to come back again. Anyone would do well to get him to preach for them. We also had Brother J. J. Lee of Fayette, Ala. with us. We will also welcome him back.

This is a new field and if you can trust the Lord and stand on the Word, not compromising, come over and the Lord will bless you. Pray for this place that the Lord will open people's blinded eyes to the Truth and that many will be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Yours for lost souls, L. J. Potts.

GLAD OF THIS HOLINESS WAY

SCOTTSBORO, Ala.—I want to sound a note of praise for my dear Lord, He has done so much for me. I want to do something for Him. I want to help spread the tidings of great joy. I am so glad I ever saw the light on holiness and was willing to walk in it where I find so much pleasure and joy. I can say I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, so glad I can trust Him for both soul and body. I have had the blessing for eight years and never had to resort to medicine. We have a little girl five years old who has never tasted medicine of any kind. God wonderfully healed us of chills recently, so you see I have something to praise Him for.

The Lord has reclaimed one of my boys and I am expecting Him to bring the others in soon. Please remember them in your prayers. I am so thankful that I am in the Church of God. I never expect to turn back. Please remember us in your prayers.—Your humble sister, Mrs. Bettie Hartline.

THE HARVEST IS WHITE

SALE CREEK, Tenn.—We have just closed a two weeks meeting at Reed Crossroads. The Lord surely did bless in most every service. The altar was full nearly every night. Eight were saved, two sanctified, and two received the Holy Ghost. One came into the church. We had good crowds and they seemed to be interested. The meeting closed with a lot of people looking this way. Brother Garrison helped in the preaching. The saints were all encouraged.

On Sunday night we had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord blessed. Pray for us to do the Lord's will at all times.—Charley Gentry and wife.

rejoicing time with me. I have not tasted a drop of medicine in about twenty-seven years, neither have I rubbed any on.

Please remember me in your prayers, also my two unsaved boys.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. S. A. Austin.

God Will not Turn Away

THOMASVILLE, Ala.—Glory to the matchless name of Jesus, the beautiful Church of God is still rising higher and higher and is indeed exalted above the hills. The mountain of the Lord is seen and the people are flowing into it. Isaiah 2:23. The saints are zealous for God's holy Word and the good works and power are being manifested as our Captain reads His army on from victory unto victory. It is enough to make every saint of God shout hosannas to Jesus our King as we see the mighty hand of God moving on and hear the abundance of rain.

Our General Overseer, Brother F. J. Lee, admonished us not to sound a trumpet or parade the streets in vain glory for the wonderful victory our God has won for His Church, but in an humble, meek and gentle spirit of heart and soul, rather fall down on our faces in thanks and praises and honor our Savior. Let us bow down and exalt Jesus' name together for He alone hath given us the victory. Hear His precious words in Deut. 7:6-7

"For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. The Lord did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people."

We must not fear though our number be small for just as our God promised protection round about Jerusalem, Zech. 2:5, He is the same to His little band today; He is as a wall of fire round His own. Out of 1,300 inhabitants of our little town of Thomasville, there is a little band of eight who are Church of God people. This is a needy field and we have no shepherd, but we are praying and believing God will send us one soon.

Brother Z. D. Simpson held a meeting here a few weeks ago and many were convinced that this is the way the prophet Isaiah told us about, Isa. 35:8-9 and the old time pentecostal power, Acts 2:4. Two backsliders were reclaimed, one saved, one sanctified and one Methodist received the Holy Ghost the 4th of July for we heard him speak with tongues and magnify God, he also joined the Church of God. We have no building to worship in, but our loving Father provided a nice shady grove near one of the Church of God homes and twice Brother Luther Richard stood there under those beautiful oaks and shelled the fort with the old time Holy Ghost gospel until the astonished crowds were made to acknowledge it was the best preaching they ever heard and many believed the Word. Two received the Holy Ghost and many were left under deep conviction, begging for the meeting to continue longer.

Afterward the Lord sent us another brave soldier, Brother Simpson again. As many know, he has been in the fight for God and His truth for many years and he must have had a fresh anointing from the throne for he was indeed at his best as he stood under the trees and gave out the same glorious old Gospel which the apostles preached. Much good was accomplished. Three joined the Church. Praise God the walls are crumbling, unbelieving is waning and we are expecting pastor some time in the near future. We, the little "mustard" band, are praying and believing that God will send Brother Simpson to shepherd the flock and help to bring in many, many more poor, hungry, starving sheep who are shivering and bleeding for the bread of life. Remember us in your prayers that God will help us build a church here. I know the shower is coming. After four and one-half years of prayers, tears and groanings our God will not turn us away. His grace is sufficient for every trial, test and persecution. Our little band has learned that when we want to put the devil to flight all we have to do is to go down on our knees before God in prayer, doubting nothing and He hears us; the sick are healed and something good always happens.

The Eternal Life Insurance Company doesn't send us assessments every little while, neither do we have to pay an agent fee, but to get our policy we have to repent and be saved; be born again, or sanctified by the blood and filled with the Holy Ghost. To keep it we have to take the Holy Bible, study, read, pray and pay tithes. Paying tithes is God's plan for paying His agents. If you keep in this company, you have to live up to the Word. You may say that you kept the preacher over the week end and gave offerings and that is good enough, but dear reader, our policy (the Bible) says pay tithes and give free will offerings. To tithe is to give one tenth of the whole of your earnings, not part of them, for part is not tithes.

In the last days perilous times shall come. Surely great tragedies are coming upon the earth. Some states might not have floods, but might have something worse, so it pays to have your life insured by the Eternal Life Insurance Company for you know not the day nor the hour the Son of man cometh. Watch and pray lest He come unawares and as a thief in the night. Have your light trimmed and burning and plenty of oil in your vessels. Lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven where thieves do not break thru and steal and where moth nor rust doth corrupt. Where your treasure is there is your heart also.

To those who belong to this company: keep pressing on and some day we will say good morning in glory where tears are wiped away. To those who have not their life insured: My plea is, do so at once and see and feel the joy there is in belonging to this company. May God bless all of you is my prayer.—V. E. Sears (white).

GOD ANSWERED MY PRAYERS

FALCO, Ala.—Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I want to praise God for answering prayer. In June it was so dry and the crops looked as if they would perish if we did not have rain. When I was in the field plowing I stopped and began to pray and asked God to send a rain, and praise His dear name He sent a good rain.

Please pray that God will send a rain and a good rain. I truly praise Him for answering my prayers many times. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

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Jesus Is Coming Soon

HAYESVILLE, N. C.—I want to praise the dear Lord for what He has done for me and is still doing. He is blessing me wonderfully. He saved, sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I don't see how I could get along without the blessing now. I feel like traveling on.

The Lord blessed us in the service Sunday, Oct. 2nd. I don't think the devil even got to come in the house while the testimony service was going on. Brother Jim Sellers from Cleveland was with us and Brother Cantrell from Georgia preached for us in the morning. In the evening the dear Lord thru the saints took the stand and the preacher didn't get to preach. The Lord gave an altar call thru Sister Hazel Ledford. Sister May Stamie gave a message on Jesus' coming. This was interpreted. I truly believe Jesus is coming soon.

Please pray for me, my husband and little nine year old daughter. Pray that we might press on and do God's will.—Mrs. Sallie Corn.

LOVES THE LORD

PANGBURN, Ark.—Dear brethren and sisters in Christ, I am praising God today for what He has done for me. I truly thank Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues as in Acts 2:4.

Please remember me in your prayers.—Alline Reaker.

PRAYER ANSWERED

TAYLORSVILLE, N. C.—Less than three months ago, I requested thru the Evangel that the saints pray for the work at Taylorsville, that we might get a place in which to worship God. Well, you surely have been praying, for our church is now built. We had services in it the first time today and were pleased to have with us a number of the saints from Statesville. Brother Farmer, the pastor there, was with us. The presence of the Lord was felt.

Brother C. L. Snow, Statesville, N. C., is our pastor and we hope he may continue with us the following assembly year. To the Church of God preachers who happen to be passing thru I will say that we would appreciate the service of a man of God here and any one who wishes to hold revival services for us can see or write Brother Snow.

I also requested prayer for my healing and am in little better health, at least able to attend school. I was in a very bad condition in the spring and my life was almost despaired.

To those who answered my request to get in touch with some young Christians, I express my heartfelt thanks, for it surely is encouraging. I would like to see all of you and sometimes I hope I will have the pleasure of meeting you face to face. If I don't see you before, I hope to meet you in Heaven.

Continue to pray for the church; pray for me to be sanctified and do the Lord's will. Watch the report from Taylorsville, we don't know what the Lord is going to do.—W. Horace Pratt, clerk.

TOOK UP THE CROSS TO FOLLOW JESUS

MAGNOLIA, O.—I just want a little space in the Evangel for my testimony. In March of this year Brothers Warden and Bowker of Canton, Ohio came to Magnolia, a small town about fourteen miles from Canton, to hold a series of meetings. However I did not have time to attend at the first of the meeting. My time was taken up with lodge work which I was a member of for three years, but bless the Lord I do not belong to any lodge today. He took the desire of the worldly pleasures out of my heart. I began to attend the meetings and was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost for which I praise Him.

I will never forget the first Church of God meeting I ever attended. I was just like someone who had just awoken from a long sleep, and each time I would go I would just think, O well they are preaching to me tonight, but I had friends there who did not want to see me go to the altar, so I held back saying, I'll go when they are not there. One night I changed my mind and a very dear friend of mine and I went to the altar. We took up the cross at the same time. My daughter twelve years old, was also baptized, she was the first one to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost in this town.

On August 7th, 1927 the church was set in order by Brother Warden with five members. Brother Warden gave out some very encouraging messages. There are a few in number here but if we are true to God more will be added to the church. Brother and Sister Warden have charge of the services. We truly thank God for sending His messengers from Canton to preach Jesus

We Will Have a Great Assembly In Heaven

RED BAY, Ala.—We have just had a few days meeting at Oak Grove. Brother Edwards, overseer of Miss. was with us. The last night we had conference and it seemed that most every saint was encouraged to press on. We hope to have Brother Edwards again.

Dear saints pray for us. We are planning to attend the Assembly at Cleveland and I can hardly wait, but if we will be true to Jesus a few more days, we will have a wonderful Assembly in Heaven when God's children are gathered into the glory world. Hallelujah, we will see our blessed Savior who has led us thru shadows and has so wonderfully blessed us. He suffered for us and we should be willing to suffer for Him.

This is a needy place. Husband and I are the only holiness folks that we know anything of at Red Bay. Pray much that we may let our light shine and be humble. Oh how I long for a church here. Pray to that end. The dear Lord is able to do wonderful things if we will earnestly pray. I am so thankful for the grand privilege I have of going out in the country to the dear old Church of God and worshiping with God's children. —Mrs. Mary Wallace, box 282.

PRAY GOD FOR VICTORY TODAY

WHIGHAM, Ga.—I feel impressed to write a few words to the dear Evangel and tell what the Lord has done for me. He saved me from a life of sin, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I want to praise the Lord for our pastor, Brother J. B. Weeks. I believe many souls will be saved this year.

I truly praise God for His healing power. He has healed us in our home many times. I have a little boy two years and four months old, he had infantile paralysis when he was five months old. Husband and I are trusting God for the healing of his body. Every one who reads this please pray that God will heal his body completely so he can walk. Also pray that I will stay more humble and be ready when Jesus comes or calls. —Mrs. J. L. Underwood.

Blessed After General Cleaning

MARYVILLE, Tenn.—It has been some time since I have testified thru the Evangel but I want to drop a note of praise. I am still on the hallelujah side and striving to give the devil a black eye every time I get a chance at him. I have had a hard battle with him here this year but I feel that we have the victory. Brother McLain, our State Overseer, knows the condition of the church here last winter. It seemed that the devil had sapped all the victory from the church and the attendance was very small. A few sisters and myself, would go to church and pray and cry. Finally one Sunday morning something told me to open the door for membership. I did so and three came in. Two of them were sanctified and one had the Holy Ghost. A little later we had a business meeting, had a general cleaning and the Lord began to bless. Our Sunday School has increased from about twenty-five to ninety-one and on prayer meeting nights the house is full. On Saturday and Sunday nights the house will hardly hold the crowd. Our place of worship is very humble but it is the best we can do at present. We are working and praying for better.

On the first Sunday in June we started a drive to raise money to buy lot to build on. As soon as we had raised \$75.00 I bought a corner lot in the best neighborhood in town. The lot cost \$300.00 and we have it paid for now.

We held a two weeks meeting and the Lord wonderfully blessed. Fifteen were saved, twelve sanctified, seven received the Holy Ghost, seven baptized in water and eight came into the Church. Pray for us.—Walter R. Anderson, pastor.

GOD WILL BLESS OUR EFFORTS

I held a meeting at Buhl, Ala. I do not know the number saved, but eleven received the Holy Ghost, seven baptized in water. I also held a meeting at Smithville, Miss. This was a new place. Several were saved, one received the Holy Ghost and six came into the Church. Land was given on which to build a church and \$40 given towards building the church. The meeting at Holy Springs, Ala. was good. Several saved and seven came into the Church.—H. M. Taylor, Route 1, Kennedy, Ala.

and pentecost to us. We never can express our thanks to the dear saints of Canton, but bless the name of the Lord He will reward them by and by.—Mrs. I. P. Jenkins.

Salvation Gets Better Every Day

BELMONT, N. C.—Dear saints of God scattered abroad, I want to praise the dear Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost which came from heaven like a dove and fell on me, and I began to speak with other tongues. Praise God it is wonderful to have a salvation like this. The longer we live it the better it is.

I truly praise God for ever sending Brother and Sister Messer to Belmont to preach the Gospel of holiness so plain that I saw the light on it and accepted this great salvation.

I want to thank the Lord for His healing power too. He has healed my body many times. I had the flu and I was reading the Evangel and the Lord healed me. I do want the saints to pray for me that I will have more faith in God. I know He is one who can do all things; there is nothing impossible for Him to do.

May God help us to be ready to go when He comes or calls us home. Please remember my husband in your prayers that he may be saved before it is too late. Pray for the church and the saints at Belmont, as we need your prayers.—Mrs. Lillie Hensley.

Glad of Being Saved

SYLACAUGA, Ala.—Dear saints, I desire to write a testimony for the Lord He has done so much for me. I am in the way, it is not a new way but an old way. Some people say it is a new way. I am traveling on up the straight and narrow way and by the help of God I mean to make heaven my home. I am glad the Lord has power to save and heal. The reason I know is because He has saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, also healed me many times.

I am going to tell about the way I was saved. One night I was at church, I had decided that I would not go to the altar, but one of my friends persuaded me to go and I was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost the same night. I have dreamed many times of Jesus coming. I know that I would be ready to go up if He should come right now at this present writing.

Please remember me in your prayers that I may stay under the blood.—Velma Jolly.

BEST CONVENTION EVER ATTENDED

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.—After attending the best state convention I have ever witnessed at Ravenna, Ky., Miss Zimmerman, my pianist and I were invited to Clay City, Ky., by Brother Lewis Larison, pastor of the Church of God. For a meeting, God wonderfully put His approval on the meeting. Two were reclaimed, two received the Holy Ghost and two were added to the church. On account of a promised meeting at home, we could stay only one week in Clay City, but left the place on fire for God.

On the 6th of August we began our revival at home. There were twenty saved, fourteen followed in water baptism. This service was followed by the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Thirteen were added to the Church of God, the saints are still shouting the victory. We are praising God for perfect love and unity in the little band. I have much faith to believe there will be a tabernacle at this place real soon. Many are encouraged in building one.

One year ago on the 18th of June, I came to this town by invitation from the Salvation Army Captain to hold an evangelistic meeting. Ten were saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost. A small voice whispered to me that I was in a house where they would not accept the teaching of the Church of God, so I went to Downers Grove, Ill. for three weeks and was invited again by some of the attendants to come back. After much prayer and waiting on God, He opened the way and I obeyed. Now, just one year later, there is a band of twenty-two saints here and many more looking this way.

I want the saints everywhere to pray for me for truly we are living in the time when we have to watch as well as pray. There are close places at times. Truly it is more than a person can realize to have the oversight of a band of saints. The church was set in order here May the 19th by Brother Fore whom the saints all learned to love. Brother Ross Bordon has also been received into this church and has received evangelistic papers. The surroundings of Bowling Green are very much stirred and we feel God is going to raise a wonderful work here. Hoping to meet many at the General Assembly, I am your sister in Christ, Mrs. Amelia Shumaker, 228 Gordon Ave.

MCCRORY, Ark.—Dear children of our Lord, I want to tell you about our good meeting which began the 14th of this month and closed the 18th. We surely had a wonderful meeting. Our pastor, Brother Taylor, and Brother J. E. Morgan were with us. I do hope God will send them here again. Pray for this place and for me.—S. C. Hall.

Louisiana State Camp Meeting

EPPS, La.—The Church of God Camp Meeting for Louisiana proved a blessing to Shady Grove church, Epps, La. The meeting convened Aug. 20th-30th included with Brother J. C. Coats and Brother G. G. Williams in charge. Sister Esther Williams and Brother Beaube, one of our young preachers, were also with us. Brother G. G. Williams did most of the preaching which was by the power of God. God was with us all in many ways.

Saturday night after singing and testimony service, Brother Coats appointed the committees and then gave us one of his juicy sermons and turned the service over to Brother Williams. Brother Williams turned the service over to the Lord. Every one present was edified and built up. One of his first sermons was based on 2 Timothy 4:2. The first clause, "Preach the Word," he stated, would be his text from then on as long as he should preach and he surely preached the Word, but he had different subjects from time to time.

We had a wonderful time Sunday, the 21st. We had morning services, then Sunday School in the afternoon with about eighty-five in attendance. During my stay in Cleveland attending the Bible School, I visited in one of the brothers' home who had a radio. He had it already tuned and I had the privilege of listening to one of the "big Ds" in Chattanooga preaching on a real good subject. So while attending this camp meeting God has His radio take the stand and transfer the messages from the glory world to all those present from time to time. The singing and praise services would carry our minds to the time when we all will be gathered around the great white throne where we shall sing and praise our King eternally.

Sunday night's happenings, I must tell. After the praise service, Brother Williams took the stand and began preaching. The Lord began working; the Holy Ghost began speaking to the dear people's hearts.

After the Lord switched off the radio, Brother Williams gave an altar call and about ten fell in the altar. One man sixty years old began to pray and consecrate himself to God. One of the devil's carrying crates with some of that incense which some of them call "Prince Albert," and an incense burner with a big long smoke stack on one side of it, fell out of his coat pocket. He began shouting and proclaiming the glad tidings that the Holy Ghost had come into his soul, and we know that He really came in for we heard Him talking. About that time I looked over at the altar bench where the ladies were and saw dear old sweet mother shouting, praising God and talking in tongues. She will be sixty-four years old the 20th of this month. God Himself only knows just how good I and His other children here did feel. She had been seeking for the blessed Holy Ghost for three years.

I was enjoying the meeting so well and did not know that they were going to have me to write the report of the meeting, so I did not keep the subjects as they were delivered from time to time. But we continued having good times in the holy invisible presence of God our Father, the Lord, our Shepherd and our dear Comforter (not one of snuff, or a plug of "old man Brown's Mule,") but the sweet Holy Ghost which will abide for ever.

One subject I remember Brother Williams preaching on, was "Signs Following Believers" Mark 16:15-20. So Thursday night some outsiders brought in a rattlesnake about two and one-half feet long. They had him in a bucket with a lid on it which was full of holes. Before bringing him in they teased him and had him real mad. During the singing service, Brother Williams reached in his pocket, got his knife, stooped down, opened the bucket and poured the snake partly out on the floor. Brother Coats skipped over there, reached down, picked the snake up and handled it a while. Then his father reached over, took the snake and shouted around with him. Brother Williams took the snake, handled him a while, holding the Bible in one hand and the snake in the other. The snake would reach out from his hand and seemed well contented, then he would draw back and crawl up Brother Williams' arm. Brother Coats opened the bucket and they put the snake safely back into it. Say, did you ask me what I was doing during this time, I, with all the other children of God was praising and blessing God, just to know that the God of Moses, Daniel and all the other patriarchs of old, is still on His throne to confirm His Word with signs according to His holy Word.

I praise the Lord for saving my husband, sanctifying and filling him with the blessed Holy Ghost. He also saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I want all who read this to pray that we will ever stay in the center of His precious will.—Mrs. E. E. Sandis.

NAVARRO, Texas.—I am praising God for the way He is blessing His little church at this place. This is a young work here, but we have twenty-three true blue members. Praise God for His keeping power. I am thanking and praising God for the light He has given the Assemblies of God on His great church. Three dear sisters came out from them into the Church of God.

Last week the Lord ordered a tarrying meeting at one sister's house. Every one went because he felt led. They tarried from 9 a. m. until 2:30 p. m. The Lord sent two members of the Assemblies of God over to the tarrying meeting. One of them was slain under the power, also the other sister had to die out and come God's way.

The Lord is surely blessing the work here. Our Sunday School is growing and He is just bringing them in from all directions. I thank God for ever sending Sister Mollie Wilson this way with His Gospel. It she had not obeyed God, these souls would probably have been lost. I don't believe I ever would have known this beautiful plan of salvation.

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GOD IS LEADING THIS GREAT ARMY

MARION Va.—A few weeks ago I noticed in the Evangel, some wonderful reports from two of the Florida brethren. Their church had doubled its membership since the Assembly. That was wonderful and I can help Florida shout over their victories, but more wonderful does it seem to me, that at least two churches in a neglected field like Virginia, have tripled their membership in the same length of time.

St. Charles, Va., a church of small membership, immediately after the Assembly over doubled its membership in two services conducted by S. E. Money and the writer. A few weeks ago we closed a tent meeting there and took in the original number. This with others taken in, makes the membership doubled the second time.

F. W. Anderson moved to Schoolfield last March and took the pastoral responsibilities of a church with a small membership. The first thing Brother Anderson did was to turn a revival loose which resulted in many being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The Lord has continued to bless his faithful efforts until the membership has tripled, and the good part is that the majority of them are men who are on fire for God. Brother Anderson is doing a wonderful work in Schoolfield for God and His church.

I know of one other church, which I set in order with seven members. Since then it has doubled twice, but a few of the number have been disfellowshipped. I don't mean to boast of anything we have done in Virginia but God has given us so many good workers, our number of ministers will almost, if not altogether, double this year, and the new ones are in line with the old ones. This was not because I was State Overseer. Many good men would have done much more. I am satisfied that other states have done much more than Virginia, because the Lord is leading this great army and the Church of God is moving forward.—Jno. C. Jernigan.

CHURCH GROWING, LOVE EXISTING

BENTON, Ill.—We have just closed an eight days meeting at the Church of God here. Four were saved, two received the Holy Ghost and six were added to the church. Good interest was shown and many were under conviction. We closed the meeting because the weather was so hot.

The church is growing and great love existing. We are in good shape for a revival soon. The members are praying and holding on to God. In these hard times and scarcity of finance, God is blessing.—John Sharp, pastor, 703 Highland St.

Young Work Growing

NAVARRO, Texas.—I am praising God for the way He is blessing His little church at this place. This is a young work here, but we have twenty-three true blue members. Praise God for His keeping power. I am thanking and praising God for the light He has given the Assemblies of God on His great church. Three dear sisters came out from them into the Church of God. On the other hand it tells us of a certain rich man who died and lifted up his eyes in hell. In Job 14:14 we find the question, "If a man die, shall he live again?" Now the two men certainly, beyond a shadow of a doubt, lived again: the one in heaven and the other in hell. Which place would you choose for your future abode?

I have chosen the way of life and I beg you to come with me. I'll tell you there is no time for folly now; we must hasten on; the time of the end draweth near. We have no place to hide. The Lord has come and stripped us of the cloak for sin and the Truth stands out open. God is now looking down right into the very recesses of our hearts, expecting us to avail ourselves of this wonderful opportunity of freedom which His Son Jesus has purchased with His own life blood.

Someone said we could serve God with our hearts, but with our hands we are under obligations to the devil and are prone to wander and can't help it. If you let the devil lead you, you will always be helpless. "Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you." 1 Peter 5:7. The Word says you cannot serve God and mammon. So many people think we just can't clean up and be holy. Paul said in Rom. 8:10 "And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." 1 Peter 6:12. "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof." Now mortal means our natural body, the one we have in this life on this earth. We find in Titus 2:11-12 "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present